

NEWFOUNDLAND CRISIS

Nearly Every Manufacturing Concern in St. Johns Closes Down.

PUBLIC FEELING IS INTENSE

Whitewayites Demand That the Governor Dismiss the Goodridge Government—A Liverpool Firm Goes Under as a Result of the Financial Crash.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 12.—Several small firms suspended yesterday, but there were no important developments in Newfoundland's financial crisis. Nearly every manufacturing concern in the city has ceased running.

The party led by ex-Premier Sir William Whiteway demand that the governor dismiss the Goodridge ministry and replace the Whitewayites in office. The governor is unwilling to dismiss the Ministers, although they have offered to resign. The Whitewayites, it is said, cannot possibly raise any loans in London.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 12.—Excitement over the bank failures is intense, but owing to the influence of Sir William Whiteway and his supporters in St. Johns all extreme manifestations are kept under, Whiteway using all his personal influence with the depositors and stockholders to allay the excitement. He and his party have risen to the occasion and he is the man of the hour. The directors of the Commercial Bank asked him to confer with them, which he did, and as a result the Goodridge-Morine executive sent a letter offering to resign immediately. No reply was vouchsafed, but the Whiteway party waited on the Government and demanded their immediate dismissal on the grounds of their defeat at the polls and that the Premier and the other members of the executive are defaulting bank directors.

HALIFAX, Dec. 12.—Private telegrams received from St. Johns by several Halifax bank managers indicate complete demoralization prevails there. Unless confidence is restored in some measure and business put on a stable footing very soon there is likely to be great suffering among the working-classes, whose savings are locked up in savings bank deposits loaned by the government to banks.

The Bank of Nova Scotia has decided to send an agent to Newfoundland to look after the bank's interests.

A mercantile agency in Halifax has received a cablegram from St. Johns, Nfld., stating that the Union Bank paid gold for an hour on Monday and then suspended to protect creditors and shareholders. Prospects are considered good for re-opening. The same agency received advice concerning the failure of Baine, Johnston & Co. and Goodfellow & Co. The firm of Baine, Johnston & Co. is an old established one. They deal principally in general stores and fish. The firm has been in business for over fifty years.

Goodfellow & Co. is composed of James Goodfellow and Alex. McDougall. Goodfellow is chairman of the municipal council and a director of the Commercial Bank.

The Intercolonial railway authorities have been wired to from firms in Toronto, Montreal and other places, requesting them to hold all goods now at depots awaiting shipment to Newfoundland. The goods stopped would half fill a steamer.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Daily News announces that Job Brothers, merchants and shipowners, of Liverpool, have suspended in connection with the crisis in Newfoundland. Their liabilities amount to £140,000.

ANOTHER JAPANESE VICTORY.

The Chinese Routed With Heavy Loss at Kin-Kwan-Hu.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A despatch to the Central News from Antong says that a Japanese division on Monday, December 10, defeated the Chinese under Gen. I. near Kin-Kwan-Hu. The Chinese lost 100 killed and a large number wounded. The Japanese, whose loss was only 40 killed and wounded, captured two banners, ten prisoners and a large number of rifles. Four thousand Chinese were engaged. The Chinese fled toward Tso-Hun-Kou.

Field Marshal Yamagata has started for home.

A despatch from Hiroshima says Field Marshal Oyama is still at Port Arthur. The Chinese are concentrating at Pao-Chow and a Japanese brigade under Gen. Noge is marching to attack them.

Wallpaper Factory Destroyed.

BUFFALO, Dec. 12.—M. H. Birge & Sons' mammoth wallpaper factory was burned yesterday. It contained much valuable machinery. The factory was running to its fullest capacity and the men worked overtime till ten o'clock each night. About 500 men were employed, and the stock room was filled to its utmost capacity with stock for the holiday trade and for next season. The Birges practically had control of the high-class wallpaper trade of the country, and probably had \$150,000 worth of finished paper within its storehouse. The entire stock was utterly destroyed. The loss is estimated at anywhere from \$400,000 to \$500,000.

Three Outlaws Lynched.

BERMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 12.—Three outlaws named Smith, Bronson and Brown, members of the notorious Meacham gang, of Meacham's Boat, are reported to have been lynched by a mob of angry citizens. The crime for which the outlaws are said to have suffered death, was committed Thursday night, when Murphy Pink was assassinated by the gang. He had been instrumental in driving them out of Clark county. The Meacham gang for four years have terrorized all law-abiding citizens, and have committed all sorts of crimes, from horse stealing to murder. They are charged with having committed ten murders.

A Mind Reader's Crimes.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A Recorder special from San Luis Potosi says: A sensation has been caused here by the arrest, at the instigation of the French authorities, of Mlle. Marie Greville, a famous mind reader. She is held on suspicion of having murdered a colonel of the French army. Mlle. Greville is a handsome woman. It is alleged she committed the crime through jealousy. Her company has been giving exhibitions in the principal cities of Mexico.

Goetzen Crosses Africa.

BERLIN, Dec. 10.—A despatch dated at St. Thomas on Friday says that Count Goetzen, a German explorer, has completed his journey across Africa. He started from Dar-es-Salaam in October, 1893, and proceeded westward midway between the routes followed by Stanley and Wisemann. He arrived at Matsei, on the Congo, several days ago.

LONDON GOSSIP

The American Cup—The Poet Scout—American Art—The Kinetoscope

Lord Dufferin's reconnaissance to challenge for the American cup has given much satisfaction in yachting circles in London.

The members of parliament who represent labor interests are pressing the government to introduce a bill for the payment of members of the house of commons on the lines adopted by other countries.

Capt. Jack Crawford, the "Poet Scout," is immensely pleased with the way in which he is being lionized in London, where he has made a troop of friends, who manifest a keen interest in his claim to the Wallace estates in Scotland.

Baseball made prodigious strides in popular favor in England this season, and the prospects of greater headway in 1895, are rosy. There are seventy baseball teams in England, the most important being located in London, Derby, Middlesbrough and Stockton.

American artists, either from the theatrical or variety stage, are popular here in London, and when they become successes, as they frequently do, they find London a gold mine. It is not at all uncommon for a variety artist to earn \$500 per week for half an hour's work each evening.

The singer and dancer, Marie Lloyd, who has recently returned here from the states, slings the New York managers very severely, and there is talk of a libel action in consequence. At any rate, the hurried journey across of one of the prominent New York managers is believed to have some connection therewith.

Edison's new product of genius, the kinetoscope, is being exhibited at least half a dozen places in London, and judging by the interest it has excited the Continental commerce company should make a good thing out of it. It is stated that the machines in England and America are earning 1,000 per cent. on the investment.

An impression generally prevails that British horses are superior to those of foreign breeding. It may be that in the case of the heavy draught horse, as in that of the racer or hunter, the British breeder holds his own, but it is undoubtedly that in the more important class of light traction horses the market is being extensively supplied by American and Canadian breeders, as well as by those of other countries.

A singular strike has occurred in the Holland division of Lincolnshire. The county council, in their scale of charges for the forthcoming parish and district elections, fixed the remuneration of returning officers at a guinea for each election. The legal profession refused to act on these terms, and the only way out of this novel difficulty seems to be in a compromise, as the lawyers are determined to hold out.

The Marquis of Lorne, the viceroy of Canada, son-in-law of the queen and heir to a dukedom, keenly covets a seat in the house of commons, and his attack on the seat of Sir Henry Roscoe, in the southern division of Manchester, is likely to be crowned with success. Lord Lorne, who will sit for hours smoking and talking politics in a workmen's club, espouses the cause of the unionists.

An American, who has been visiting some of the country towns and villages here, tells a story of how one day he entered a village inn with the intention of staying the night. After the chambermaid had shown him their best front room, she inquired anxiously, "What countryman are you? I never heard anyone talk so funny before!"

"I am sure you are not an American," she said, "because we had one sleeping here in this very room all last week, and he was black all over." He took the back room.

Over the Border.

CHAMOUNT, N. Y., Dec. 11.—The ladies of the M. E. church will hold a fair next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons and evenings. It has frozen up so that there is good skating. The funeral of Miss Lillian Redding was in the Presbyterian church last Sunday. She was sixteen years old. Mr. Cleveland preached. All of the stone quarries have shut down. Ernest Madden has joined the band. Quite a number of the men around here have taken big wood jobs. Frank Phelps is going to haul out one of his boats and make her twenty feet longer and put an engine in her.

THOUSAND ISLAND PARK, Dec. 10.—J. A. Morris and wife have returned after their visit to Pulaski, N. Y. Messrs. Freeman and Mitchell, of the park farm, have purchased a cream extractor and separator of the latest design; it will be a valuable acquisition to the creamery. The new farm house is being plastered and painted. Capt. Jack Taylor, Murray Hill park, was on the park a few days ago on business. Givley's new cottage is all enclosed, also the new ones on Basswood and Pullman Islands. Anov Ellis, book agent, was delivering on the park last week. His book, "Treasures of the Bible," is a grand work and can only be obtained by subscribing for it. Mrs. Lee and daughter have left for Syracuse.

Westbrook Wafes.

WESTBROOK, Dec. 10.—The choppers here will have plenty of work this winter. A Howie having sold by auction last Friday, seventeen acres of standing timber. The bidding was brisk Mr. Howie having realized about \$85 per acre. Mr. Leonard has the job of fixing up the Bath road. G. Smith and wife intend leaving on a visit to his brother, Dr. Smith, of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. B. Coulter was called suddenly to Bedford last week to her father, who is dangerously ill. J. Cook and M. Me Kim will attend court this week on the Lemmon Dewey case. Another of our young men is about to join the benedictins.

Mr. and Mrs. Lake Hartington, spent Sunday here. Isaac Redden has moved to the village. W. Bridge, Boston, has bought a house and lot from F. Marshall.

Maherly Musings.

MAHERLY, Dec. 10.—A few inches of snow has again caused the sleighs to appear on the roads and as the road bed is now level very little more snow would make splendid sleighing. Great is the slaughter in turkeys this week as the turkey fair is held in Perth on Tuesday and Wednesday and hundreds of fowls will be sent there from this township. Rev. A. H. Visar preached in Perth on Sunday last. Thomas Fowler, Bowlingbrook, took his place here. Mrs. Dr. Buchanan is seriously ill. Mrs. William Churchhill is on a visit to her parents. Maggie Buchanan will start for Colorado on Monday next. William Robinson, suffering from an ulcer in the throat, is no better.

THE QUEEN'S FAMILY.

HER MAJESTY HAS NOW OVER FIFTY DESCENDANTS.

How They Appear on the Map of Europe

—A List in England, Germany, Russia, Greece and Roumania—The New Carina the Latest to Secure a Crown.

With the marriage of Princess Alix of Hesse and Nicholas II., Czár of All the Russias, one more is added to the number of Queen Victoria's crowned descendants. In this case it may safely be said that Her Majesty's granddaughter has captured the greatest of all the prizes in the monarchal market. Some of the crowns possessed by the Queen's descendants are not of much importance, but none will belittle that of Russia. The Queen's declining years are now consoled by the knowledge that the two great empires of Russia and Germany have found sovereigns in her grandchildren.

But it is the number rather than the rank of the Queen's descendants which is most calculated to arouse our admiration and astonishment. And it is the number probably which causes the Queen herself more satisfaction than anything else, in spite of her natural desire to make good mothers.

The Queen is the great and shining example of the domestic woman. Queen Victoria is the best known woman in the world. That fact is not entirely due to her domestic virtues, but few of the countless millions who know of her have not heard of those virtues also.

Fortune was kind to the Queen, and she showed herself grateful. She has done everything that a good mother could be expected to do for her children.

The British royal family costs the nation, according to Whitaker's Almanack, £275,362, or more than \$2,897,000, in annuities. This sum, of course, does not include the salaries paid to royal persons as holders of public offices or the income of what is considered private property, which, in the case of the Queen and Prince of Wales, is very large.

Queen Victoria has fifty-six living descendants. That constitutes her great claim to our admiration. Seventeen of them are great-grandchildren. The number of these is almost momentarily increasing. At the age of seventy-five, with all her mental faculties in good working order and a fair share of physical vigor, she is still able to take a leading part in managing the affairs of this vast family.

In providing such an abundance of possible successors to the throne Queen Victoria has followed the example of her grandparent, George III. But in many ways she has been far more fortunate than he. The King had fifteen children, and she has only had nine. But many of his children died without issue and several in infancy. On the other hand, every one of the Queen's nine children has reached maturity and only one has had no children. With the exception of the Duke of Albany, moreover, all have been strong and sound. Such a family is rare in the vital statistics of any country.

The Queen's father, the Duke of Kent, was the fourth son and fifth child of George III. Two of his brothers successively occupied the throne as George IV. and William IV. He himself died before any of his three elder brothers.

His daughter, the Princess Victoria, was born on May 24, 1819, and succeeded to the throne on June 20, 1837. She married her cousin, Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, on Feb. 10, 1840. The Prince died on Dec. 14, 1861. This was the great sorrow of the Queen's life and her grief at her husband's death has persisted in spite of years.

The Queen's first child, Victoria, Princess Royal of England, was born in 1840. She married the Crown Prince Frederick of Prussia, and is now the Dowager Empress Frederick.

The Emperor William has already six sons and one daughter, contributing the largest batch of great-grandchildren of the Queen.

The Empress Frederick has five other children living. They are Prince Charlotte, who married the hereditary Prince of Saxe-Meiningen; Prince Henry, who married his cousin, Princess Irene of Hesse; Princess Victoria, who married Prince Adolph of Schaumburg-Lippe; Princess Sophia, who married the Crown Prince of Greece; Duke of Sparta, and Princess Margaret, who married Prince Frederick Charles of Hesse-Cassel. Three of these already have children.

The Prince of Wales, heir to the British throne, was born in 1841. He has now four children. His eldest surviving son, the Duke of York, recently became a father, and his eldest daughter, the Princess Louise, Duchess of Fife, is a mother.

The Queen's third child, the Princess Alice, married the Grand Duke of Hesse, and died in 1878 at the age of thirty-five. Five of her children are now living, all of them married. The youngest, Princess Alix, has just married the Czár of Russia. Her sister, Princess Elizabeth, is the wife of the Czár's uncle, the Grand Duke Sergius. This is one of the few marriages in the Queen's family which is unsatisfactory, for the Grand Duke's manners are said to be distinctly unpleasant and such as even a highly domesticated Princess must find it hard to bear. The Grand Duke Sergius and the present Czarina, are noted as the proudest of the Queen's granddaughters.

The Princess Victoria of Hesse married Prince Louis of Battenberg, whose younger brother, Prince Henry of Battenberg, married Queen Victoria's daughter, Princess Beatrice, aunt of Prince Louis's wife.

The Queen's fourth child and second son, the Duke of Edinburgh, recently became Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, in which capacity he is one of the reigning princes of the German Empire. He is the nephew of the late Duke.

The Duke of Saxe-Coburg's daughter, the Princess Marie, married the Crown Prince of Roumania, and has a son.

The Queen's fifth child is the Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, who has five children living, one of whom is already married.

Then comes the Princess Louise, Marchioness of Lorne, the only one of Her Majesty's daughters who has not increased the population. The Duke of Connaught, who has risen more rapidly in the military profession than any man in England, is the seventh child and the youngest living son of the Queen. He married the daughter of Prince Frederick Charles of Prussia, and has three children.

The Duke of Albany was the second child of the Queen lost. He left two children. The Princess Beatrice, the Queen's youngest daughter, remained unmarried till the age of twenty-eight. By her marriage with Prince Henry at Battenberg she has already four children. The Prin-

cess Beatrice is only two years older than her nephew, the German Emperor.

ENGLAND.

The Prince of Wales, a son. Duke of York, grandson. Prince-Albert of York, a great-grandson.

Duchess of Fife, granddaughter. Lady Alexander Duff, great-granddaughter.

Princess Victoria of Wales, granddaughter.

Duke of Connaught, son. Prince Arthur of Connaught, grandson. Princess Margaret of Connaught, granddaughter.

Princess Victoria Patricia of Connaught, granddaughter. Duke of Albany, grandson. Princess Alice of Albany, granddaughter.

Princess Louise of Battenberg, granddaughter. Prince Louis of Battenberg, great-grandson.

Princess Victoria-Alice of Battenberg, great-granddaughter. Princess Louise Alexandra of Battenberg, great-granddaughter.

Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, daughter. Prince Christian Victor of Schleswig-Holstein, grandson.

Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein, grandson. Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein, granddaughter.

Princess Franziska of Schleswig-Holstein, granddaughter. Marchioness of Lorne, daughter.

Princess Beatrice, Princess Henry of Battenberg, daughter. Prince Alexander Albert of Battenberg, grandson.

Prince Leopold of Battenberg, grandson. Prince Donald of Battenberg, grandson.

Princess Victoria Eugenie of Battenberg, granddaughter.

GERMANY.

Empress Frederick of Germany, daughter. The Emperor of Germany, grandson. The Crown Prince of Prussia, great-grandson.

Prince William-Frederick of Prussia, great-grandson. Prince Adelbert of Prussia, great-grandson.

Prince August of Prussia, great-grandson. Prince Oscar of Prussia, great-grandson.

Princess Josephine Franz Humbert of Prussia, great-grandson. Princess Victoria Louise of Prussia, great-granddaughter.

Prince Henry of Prussia, grandson. Prince Waldemar of Prussia, great-grandson. Hereditary Princess of Saxe-Meiningen, granddaughter.

Princess Fedora of Saxe-Meiningen, great-granddaughter. Princess Frederica of Prussia, granddaughter.

Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, son. Prince Alfred of Edinburgh, grandson. Princess Victoria Melita of Edinburgh, granddaughter.

Princess Alexandra of Edinburgh, granddaughter. Princess Beatrice of Edinburgh, granddaughter.

Princess Margaret of Prussia, granddaughter. Hereditary Grand Duke of Hesse, grandson.

Princess Henry of Prussia, granddaughter.

RUSSIA.

The Czarina of Russia, granddaughter. The Grand Duchess Sergius of Russia, granddaughter.

GREECE.

The Crown Princess of Greece, granddaughter. Prince George of Greece, great-grandson.

ROUMANIA.

Crown Princess of Roumania, granddaughter. Prince of Roumania, great-grandson.

Hypnotism at the Counter.

"Have you ever been hypnotized in a dry goods store?" asked a woman. "I mean, have you ever been waited on by clerks who absolutely force you to buy what you do not want? Let me tell you what happened to me the other morning. I went into a store to buy a gown, and in a certain store one of those horrid hypnotic clerks fixed me with his glittering eye and positively controlled my purchase. He mesmerized me into letting him cut off a gown pattern that I did not want; it did not suit me in color, design or texture, yet there I stood spellbound and allowed the scissors to seal my doom. A cash boy was then called to carry the purchase to the lining counter. On the way over there I emerged from my hypnotized condition and had my revenge. What do you think I did? I turned a corner, scurried through crowds of other victims, got out a side door and went about my business. No one in the store knew me, and I have felt better ever since. If the hypnotic clerk had trouble with the proprietor about the gown so much the better. It will teach him not to exercise his mesmeric powers over helpless women."—Albany Express.

Vaccinated Land.

"Impoverished land is now 'vaccinated' on the continent of Europe. It is generally known that the land is enriched by planting it occasionally with a leguminous crop like clover or lucerne, the roots of which absorb more nitrogen than they take from the ground. Where the nitrogen came from was the problem. Messrs. Hellriegel and Willfarth have discovered that the absorption is due to minute organisms, a sort of disease in the roots, which, when the supply of nitrogen in the soil begins to fail, appear as an excrescence, draw nitrogen from the air, and so enrich the soil again. Experiments have been made in France and Germany to hasten the growth of the disease by sprinkling the fields with soil in which tuberculous opeps have been grown or with water in which they have been steeped. In Prussia a field was sown with lupins; one part of it was then treated in the ordinary way, the other inoculated from an old lupin crop; the yield in the latter part was five and a half times as great as in the other."

What Is Heroism?

There are different kinds of heroism, says an exchange. To some people it is jumping into the midst of a fight, and others it is the quiet endurance of everyday troubles. The boy who must give up his inclinations because his duty commands, who must live a life of self-sacrifice, is a greater hero than the one who in the enthusiasm of the moment sacrifices his life for another. The boy who stood by his admiral and went down with the sinking English man-of-war was a hero who ought to have a tablet in Westminster Abbey, where England keeps a record of her greatest men, but he was in no respect greater than a boy we know, whose father has lately died, and who has given up hope of a college career to go into business to help support his mother. The everyday patient, uncompensated hero are the truly great ones.

Angus McTavish, of Orchard, Ont., arrested at Detroit on a charge of robbery affected in Canada to the value of \$1,000.

ASSAULTS ON WOMEN AND GIRLS

Alarming Increase in This Class of Crime—Awaiting the Cat.

TORONTO, Dec. 10.—There are at present no less than fourteen prisoners in the Central prison serving time for assaults on women and children. There are several others in the county jails awaiting transference to the prison and eight or ten are awaiting trial. Of the fourteen in the prison four will shortly be lashed. Two others, not yet brought to the prison, will likewise receive the "cat." Warden Massie can assign no reason whatever for the increase in this class of crime. The infliction of the cat he deemed the most deterrent punishment for this class of criminals, but would not give the first instalment until at least six months after the admission of the prisoner to the prison, as he then would have had sufficient time in which to reflect upon the enormity of his crime.

The contemplation of the coming lash often had a more reformatory influence than had the whipping itself, and the half hour at the triangle was not in every case the most productive of good results. The warden also stated that he believed these punishments should be given all the publicity through the medium of the press as possible, "as such publicity would have a wholesome effect in the prevention of a similar crime."

No more prisoners except those convicted of criminal offenses can be admitted to the Central prison, as neither accommodation nor work can be provided for them. While there are 364 cells in the prison, there are 400 prisoners at the present time, which necessitates the very objectionable system of doubling up.

HE COMETH NOT.

Wants \$5,000 For a Broken Heart and Money Spent.

MONTREAL, Dec. 8.—The north-eastern portion of the city is all excitement over a wedding that did not take place. It was announced for Wednesday, Dec. 5th. The groom was to have been William Johnston, the young hardware merchant of Prince Arthur street, assistant secretary of the First Baptist church Sunday school, and generally a popular and well-known man. The lady he was to have married is Miss Lillia Sophia Pagels, daughter of the cigar manufacturer. About a year ago Mr. Johnston commenced to pay regular visits to the Pagel residence, No. 178 D'Arbore street, they became engaged and the wedding day was fixed, but no bridegroom came. In vain the Pagel household waited for the future son-in-law, but Mr. Johnston came not. As Mr. Pagel said this morning: "He simply didn't come, and he'll have to explain to the law courts why he didn't."

He has, through his attorneys, entered suit against Mr. Johnston on behalf of daughter for \$5,000 damages, not only for a broken heart, but for money spent in preparation for the marriage.

A Panic in St. John's.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 10.—The Commercial Bank of Newfoundland has closed its doors. Several of the commercial firms have failed, including Edwin Duder and J. H. Steer. The Union Bank is suspending payment for a few hours, this morning, arranging business to meet the expected rush. The general belief is that with care the crisis will be tided over. The immediate cause is the suspension of Prowse, Hall & Morris, of London, financial agents, Edwin Duder and others.

TORONTO, Dec. 10.—Referring to the despatch from Newfoundland announcing the existence of a financial crisis there, it should be borne in mind this island is not included in the dominion, the banks are not connected with or carried on under the Canadian banking system.

Japan And China.

No decisive intelligence has come from the seat of war during the week. Japanese advances have been slow but determined and the latest intelligence would imply that the Chinese are making another rally with a view to an engagement. Capt. Cormack just returned from Japan, declares that the Japanese are elated with their success and call themselves "The England of the East." The Chinese he found divided into two factions, those favoring Li Hung Chang and those opposed to him. He had done the best, however, with the material at his command. The Chinese soldiers look like skeletons and are armed with spears and old flint-lock muskets. Their armour was of cheap tin, which could be punched with a toothpick.

Church Items.

Rev. W. B. Carey conducted the dedicatory service at St. John the Evangelist church, New Dublin, on Wednesday.

A new chapel has been finished at St. Paul's school, Concord, N.H., which is one of the most beautiful structures in that part of New England.

Rev. J. K. McMorine preached a valuable sermon last Sunday upon infallibility of the bible. He contended that the scriptures represented the spirit of the truth, but not infallibility of the letter. Harm had been done to genuine religion by claiming that every word and letter was unassailable inspiration.

In St. Mary's cathedral on Sunday, Archbishop Cleary preached for an hour and a half from the text, "Is it easier to say thy sins are forgiven or take up thy bed and walk." The archbishop gave the congregation some new ideas, and although the sermon was of long duration, few noticed this fact till it was over.

\$15 For A Guess.

Guess who will be mayor of Kingston for 1895 and how many votes the successful candidate will receive and get a chance on a \$15 Star Heater. For particulars call on G. S. Hobart & Sons.

On payment of \$300 a young man is excused from military service in Spain. The other day a man wrote to the queen that he had already paid \$3,000 to exempt ten of his sons, and begging her to excuse the other fourteen from service, as he had no more money. The queen granted the request.

All hope of reprieve for Truskey, murderer in Sandwich jail, has been abandoned and the executioner is preparing for the final act on Friday.

The Toronto street railway syndicate have been awarded the railway franchise at Detroit after a fight of several months. There are rumors of hooding in the air.

Mrs. Wheatley, widow of an engineer, killed through the exploding of a big mogul engine in the Rocky mountains, is taking action against the C.P.R. to recover \$25,000.

Stones which proved to be diamonds have been found at Corinna, Tasmania.